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# Building Community Resilience and a Culture of Preparedness

North American
Aerospace Defense Command
and
United States Northern Command

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### USNORTHCOM History

- Based on events of 9-11, the President wanted a single military command for homeland defense
- Secretary of Defense and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff recommended establishment of USNORTHCOM
- April 2002—announced by Secretary of Defense
- October 1, 2002—activated
- September 11, 2003—achieved Full Operational Capability



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## Protecting the Homeland

Unique Area of Responsibility
Specialized
Capabilities

**Emergency Circumstances** 

**Temporary Circumstances** 

Special Events





**Execute OPLANS** 









Disaster Relief



Civil Disturbances



CBRNE Incident Mgmt

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